

in which

R<sub>1</sub> is alkyl of 1 to 13 carbon atoms,

R<sub>2</sub> is hydrogen and

 $R_3$  is hydroxymethyl.

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55. A pharmaceutical composition comprising an antihyperglycemically effective amount of a compound of the formula

R<sub>2</sub> R<sub>1</sub> R<sub>2</sub> HO ОН

in which

 $R_1$  is alkyl of 1 to 18 carbon atoms,

R<sub>2</sub> is hydrogen and

R<sub>3</sub> is hydroxymethyl, in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

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